

# Decision on Call for Proposals (ADA)

## Call for Proposals:

The Nova Scotia Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture (the “Department”) issued a call for proposals for the exclusive right to apply for an aquaculture licence and aquaculture lease within an aquaculture development area (ADA). Notice of the call was published on the Department’s website and in the Royal Gazette Part I. Notice was also provided by email to existing aquaculture licence holders in Nova Scotia. Details of the call for proposals were as follows:

### Details of Reallocation Call for Proposals:

<b>Site:</b>	AQ#8007		
<b>Location:</b>	Tusket River	<b>Size:</b>	24.73 HA
<b>County:</b>	Yarmouth	<b>Area Map / Boundaries:</b>	Refer to Enclosed Map(s)
<b>Start Date:</b>	April 15, 2024	<b>Deadline for Submissions:</b>	June 15, 2024

## Proposals to the Administrator:

A total of 3 proposals were considered by the Administrator. Any proposals received that were incomplete and/or outside of the allotted time were not taken under consideration.

## Panel Assessment:

Prior to evaluation, all eligible proposals were assessed by a panel composed of Department staff, industry experts and key stakeholders. The results of the panel’s assessment and their recommendations were provided to the Administrator on January 13, 2025.

## Decision:

Following evaluation of the proposals and the results and recommendations provided by the panel taken under consideration, the Administrator hereby issues the following decision:

The proposal submitted by **The Maritime Oyster Company Ltd.** has been selected (with variations). The successful proponent has 90 days to submit a completed **Application for a New Marine Aquaculture Licence and Lease – ADA** to the Department for AQ#8007.

## Proposal Summary:

<b>Proposed Lease Size:</b>	24.73 HA	<b>Area Map / Boundaries:</b>	Refer to Enclosed Map(s)
<b>Method of Cultivation:</b>	Suspended	<b>Species:</b>	American oyster

Variations to Original Proposal:

1. Section 4 (Production Plan Details):
  - a. Additional anchor systems may be considered in addition to the originally proposed “Louisiana style pole system”.

**Application Process and Public Participation:**

Under the current Nova Scotia *Aquaculture Licence and Lease Regulations* (<https://novascotia.ca/just/regulations/regs/fcraqualiclease.htm>), applications for a new aquaculture licence and lease in a designated ADA fall under the prescribed “Administrative” decision process. The Administrative decision process includes a requirement for the Aquaculture Administrator to publish a notice on the Department’s website (<https://novascotia.ca/fish/aquaculture/public-information/>) and in the *Royal Gazette Part I*, inviting the public to submit written comments on the application for a 30-day period.

More information on the Administrative decision process can currently be found on the Department’s website at <https://novascotia.ca/fish/aquaculture/licensing-leasing/>.



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January 22, 2025

Date

# Aquaculture Development Area Site: 8007

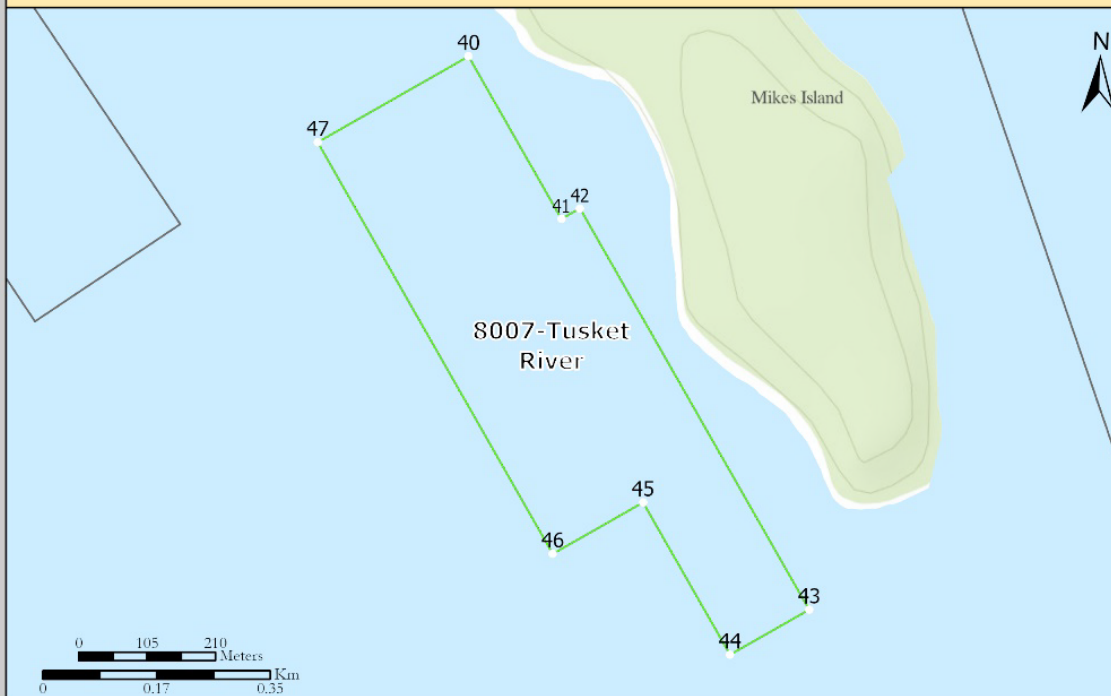
## 8007 Site Location:



## 8007 Site Coordinates:

Corner ID	Latitude	Longitude
40	43° 44' 57.693"	-65° 57' 3.075"
41	43° 44' 49.750"	-65° 56' 56.301"
42	43° 44' 50.311"	-65° 56' 55.051"
43	43° 44' 30.702"	-65° 56' 38.329"
44	43° 44' 28.317"	-65° 56' 43.650"
45	43° 44' 35.756"	-65° 56' 49.993"
46	43° 44' 33.031"	-65° 56' 56.073"
47	43° 44' 53.142"	-65° 57' 13.227"

## 8007 Site Detail:



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- ADA Call for Proposal Site
- Other Approved ADA Site
- Issued Shellfish Lease outside ADA
- Proposed Shellfish Lease outside ADA
- Issued Finfish Lease outside ADA
- Proposed Finfish Lease outside ADA

Coordinate System: NAD 1983 CSRS UTM Zone 20N